

REMARKS

Claims 2-3, 5, 7-8, 15 and 18-20 are pending. Claims 6, 16 and 17 are canceled herein. No claim is amended and therefore no new matter is added. Claims 2-3, 5, 7-8, 15 and 18-20 are indicated as allowed on p.3 of the Office Action.

Claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. (Office Action, page 2)

Claim 6 is canceled making this rejection moot.

Claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Brown et al (2,733,885). (Office Action, page 2)

Claim 6 is canceled making this rejection moot.

Claims 16 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Brown et al in view of Parsons (5,667,441). (Office Action, page 3)

Claims 16 and 17 are canceled making this rejection moot.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

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Respectfully submitted,

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